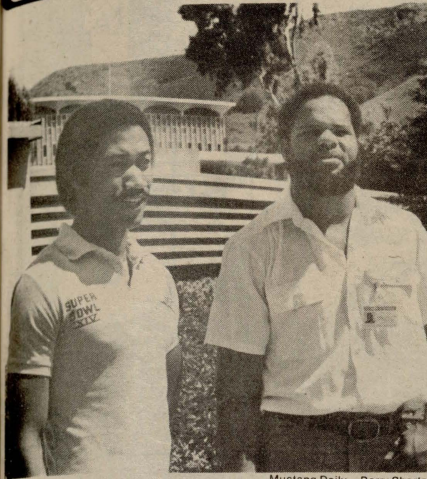


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Duane O'Steen, left, and Victor Hicks of the Los Angeles Rams were on Campus Friday encouraging students to fill out their 1980 Census Forms.

LA Rams push census

BY BARRY SHORTZ

Daily Staff Writer

Two members of the NFC National football Conference Championship Los Angeles Rams were on campus Friday morning to talk to the media about the advantages and disadvantages of getting students and residents of San Luis Obispo to mail back their census forms.

Big, tall, 240-pound tight-end Victor Hicks and defensive-back Duane O'Steen were two of 14 NFL players selected by the Census Bureau to promote the 1980 Census.

"We are here to educate the people to the advantages and disadvantages of filling out the census forms," said O'Steen, a graduate of San Jose State. "San Luis Obispo is a desirable place to live and a lot of people are moving here from other areas in the country," he said.

The United States has counted

its population every decade since 1790, in accordance with the first article of the Constitution.

The census is used to determine the number of representatives each state, county and city will have in Congress, state legislatures and town councils.

"So it is very important to get everybody to fill out the census forms," said O'Steen.

O'Steen and Hicks are part of the Out-Reach Program that is promoting the census in California and Hawaii—the Western region.

"People still can send in their census forms," said Hicks, drafted 5th last year out of Oklahoma State. "People get hung up on the April 1st deadline to mail back the census, but the most important thing is to fill them out and mail them back in," said Hicks.

"This time around, the Census Bureau is directing a lot of effort towards getting minorities to stand up and be counted," said Hicks.

San Luis Obispo has an 18 to 23 percent Mexican-American and 3 to 6 percent black population.

The census figures are also used to determine how much money communities will get out of the annual \$50-billion federal revenue sharing program," said O'Steen. The money is used to up grade communities with federally funded student loans, housing developments and libraries and energy, land and water conservation projects.

"If the people want the money that is available to them and equal representation Local, State and Federal legislatures, they need to fill out the census forms," said O'Steen.

There are two forms, long and short. The long form, which goes to one of every six urban households (three in six rural areas) has 29 basic questions. The short form has 19.

Anybody who needs assistance filling out the census forms, or has a question, can call the U.S. Census Office toll-free at 800-682-4720.

KCPR auction

Wheeling, dealing nets \$1,881

BY JIM WITTY

Daily Staff Writer

The auctioneers were in rare form, cajoling prospective buyers into higher and higher bids. A large number of bidders clogged the switchboards, seeking to take advantage of some genuine bargains.

The action was fast and furious with intense on-air "bidding wars" adding to the confusion.

The scene was the fifth annual KCPR auction held Sunday night from 6 p.m. til midnight. The auctioneers were Weird Al, T.G. Thomas, "The Captain," and "the master blaster," Stuart

Gold, with the bidders mainly Cal Poly students.

Local merchants donated the merchandise to KCPR with the proceeds from the auction going to the station. KCPR is a public radio station which relies solely on University funds, underwriting and San Luis Obispo businesses for its livelihood.

Bidders choose from a wide variety of items: flight lessons, tune ups, dinners, t-shirts, hair cuts, gift certificates, eight inches of advertising space in *Mustang Daily*, flowers, concert tickets and a \$300 black box printer for a computer.

A big seller for the night was a

lunch for two with President Warren Baker and his wife, scheduled for sometime in May. That sold for \$35.

Most of the merchandise sold for well under the retail value said Auction Coordinator Grant Easton.

Easton said the event earned KCPR radio \$1881.

Easton indicated the management was happy with the results of the auction.

"It came out \$300 over what we were anticipating," said Easton.

Said Laura Seaton of KCPR, "We're \$600 over our total for last year."

Poly grad, now shuttle pilot, to visit

A future Space Shuttle pilot who graduated from Cal Poly will be making a seminar appearance at the Cal Poly Theater today at 3 p.m. Lieutenant Commander Robert L. Gibson, a 1969 aeronautical engineering graduate, will hold a question and answer session about the Space Shuttle Program and the future of space travel.

The seminar program is coordinated by Aeronautical Engineering Professor Frank J. Hendel, who will escort Gibson on a tour of the campus this morning.

Admission to the seminar is free and all students interested in space transportation systems are invited to attend.

Gibson was selected by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for astronaut training in January 1978. He was designated a future Space Shuttle astronaut-pilot after completing two years of training.

"He is our one and only astronaut," said Hendel, one of Gibson's former professors.

After leaving Cal Poly, Gibson began active duty in the Navy and spent six years in overseas service, including three years of combat duty in Southeast Asia.

He also was a test pilot for the F-14A fighter aircraft and is a graduate of the Navy's Test Pilot School in Maryland.

Gibson's flight experience dates back to 1963 when he received his private pilot rating at the age of 17. He now has 1,700 hours of flight time in 35 types of civil and military aircraft.

Gibson will be visiting Cal Poly with Dr. Margaret R. Seddon, one of the women astronauts involved with the space shuttle program.



Robert L. Gibson

Poly student found dead in apartment

A Cal Poly student was found dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound Thursday evening in his Tropicana Village apartment.

The body of Stephan S. Grabl, 22, was discovered in his room by a roommate at about 5:45 p.m. According to Sheriff's Deputy Coroner Mike Sheridan, Grabl had been dead since Monday, April 7.

A senior food science major, Grabl was born on Oct. 18, 1957, in Munich, Germany. A 1973 graduate of Thousand Oaks High School, he attended Moorpark College, where he was a member of the tennis team. Grabl is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Grabl; a brother, Mark; and a sister, Mrs. Rita Hancock.

A requiem funeral Mass will be held at 10 a.m. April 15 at St. Paschal Baylon Catholic Church in Thousand Oaks.

Students requested to pick up receipts

Have you picked up your parking sticker registration receipt yet? If not, please do so as soon as possible at the Cashier's Office in the Administration Building! Without your registration receipt you cannot check out a library book, cash a check at school, check out equipment from departments such as chemistry and physics, etc.

Animals are focus of extension class

The fundamentals of successful management, feeding and the topics for "Small Farm Animals," a Cal Poly Extension course beginning on April 22. The class will meet on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9. Fee for the one-unit course is \$27, and preregistration is recommended.

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A boycott push

Appreciative thanks must go to the United States Olympic Committee for interrupting the boycott drive stagnation. After three months, the USOC finally agreed Saturday not to send athletes to Moscow.

For a while President Carter's anti-boycott campaign had lost momentum domestically and abroad. His efforts in landing ally support were failing, due partly to athletes weighing Carter's goals against their own and finding them wanting.

The delay fortunately has ended and Carter has the support he not only needed but deserved.

His will to cancel the Olympic games scheduled this summer in Moscow has attracted 20 or 30 nations, Carter said. A USOC member predicted a cancellation only if the United States can persuade enough "important countries" such as Great Britain, France, West Germany, Australia, New Zealand and Canada, to join the boycott.

Even though Carter now has domestic support, boycott progression has rusted. The USOC probably won't draw many foreign Olympic withdrawals, so Carter will need another convincing tool.

"The IOC (International Olympic Committee) doesn't want to see any half-baked games," said Douglas Roby, the U.S. representative on the IOC.

Nations want to participate in the Olympics whether or not the Soviet Union hosts them. Carter should encourage the world to move the Games to Greece or anyplace where political unrest will take a back seat. If no offers emerge, the United States could and should house the 1980 Olympiad.

Canada, Australia and West Germany have not decided which stand to take and Great Britain will boycott the Soviet Union. The time is right to stir the stagnating progress and urge a new site.

Frawls

By Mark Lawler



No glory, no shame

Night fell on the remote outpost. An unfriendly government was encroaching on the religious mini-state. There was little time left, so the leader made his last decision: the women and children would go first. When the government arrived, they discovered their victory: 960 men, women, and children had taken their own lives.

Jonestown? No. This was Masada, a mountainous mesa rising 1,300 feet above the shores of the Dead Sea. The Zealots who died at Masada were trying to prolong the flickering flame of a Jewish kingdom and stave off capture and enslavement by the Romans.

Do you react the same to both events? Perhaps you should.

Why bring this up? There's a movie-for-television being broadcast tonight called "Guyana Tragedy." I haven't seen it, of course, but there's every reason to suspect that, like the other Jonestown movies, it will be nothing more than a dramatized freak show.

On the other hand, another TV-movie, the most expensive ever, is being filmed now: it is called "Masada: Fortress of Freedom." The title tells it all. Also, I saw a tourism commercial the other day inviting me to come witness the "heroics" of Masada.

Both view-points unfairly distort self-destruction. Suicides are usually presented to us as heroes or villains but not as deeply troubled people who, for whatever reason, see no other way out of their problems.

The people at Jonestown, for example, were not villains. I cannot condone

murder in any form, but I can understand people desperate to find meaning in today's world. Jim Jones' followers saw him as God, or God's regent. When Uncle Sam closed in, threatening the end of their theocracy, Jones and Jonestown reacted violently. How would you react if something threatened your religion, your God?

And the Zealots were not heroes. During their last two years, they used Masada as a base for some vicious guerrilla raids. Also, let's remember that one reason Judaism survives is because of all the people who lived through all the holocausts, large and small—rather than for the God. Destroying the village is not the best way of saving it.

Author Harold Alchison is a senior journalism major and a Mustang Daily staff writer.

It is too easy to judge—too easy for those of us who have never felt the durable pain or inexpensive shame. Suicide shouldn't be glorified or castigated. Psychiatrists and hot line counselors know better. Suicide should be understood.

That's what I want: some understanding from the dramatists and media people; some fair treatment for the people who haven't treated themselves fairly. That's what I want, but I doubt if it will happen. Had for the ratings, you know.

Letters

Religious rebuttal

Editors:

In regards to Gregg Matthew's comments on religion, we agree with him that religion is man's way of trying to reach God. However it is also our opinion that the only successful way to know God is through His only son, Jesus Christ. In John 14:6 Christ says, "I am the way, and the truth and the life: no one comes to the Father, but through Me."

Christianity grew out of one ministry which was directed toward all mankind. Since that time many philosophies and schools of thought have grown from that ministry.

However, Christianity is different because it is based on the historical person of Jesus Christ and His resurrection. If you take Jesus Christ

out of Christianity or disprove the resurrection, Christianity would collapse.

Therefore, we believe Christianity is not based on a human merit system, but on our acceptance or rejection of Jesus Christ as brought forth in Titus 2:13. Here we see that Jesus Christ saved us not on the basis of our good deeds, but according to His compassion and mercy, and His favor as our Savior.

We would like to point out that a religious affiliation is merely a service tool to assist a person in his or her individual relationship with God through His son Jesus Christ.

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Prop. 9 loses ground in polls

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Public opinion has swung sharply against Howard Jarvis' tax-cutting Proposition 9 in the last two months, according to the Mervin Field California poll released today.

In the poll, 48 percent of those surveyed opposed the measure in the June ballot, while 43 percent are in favor. In February, only 34 percent were against the proposition to cut state income taxes in half while 54 percent were in favor.

The swing corresponds with what the poll found to

be an increase in awareness of the proposition. Sixty-one percent said they had heard of the issue and knew something about it—an increase of 21 percent saying the same thing in February.

The poll said that the 49 percent of those now opposed to Prop 9 said they were afraid needed services and major programs would be cut if the measure passed. Another 23 percent of those against the measure said that they were afraid the state budget couldn't handle such a large cutback.

Newsline

Red Cross sees Iran hostages

The American hostages in the U.S. Embassy in Tehran received a visit Monday from two representatives of the International Red Cross in an apparent move by Iran to blunt President Carter's campaign for Western support in imposing sanctions.

The Iranian government agreed to three conditions stipulated by the Red Cross: that its representatives meet with all the hostages, that they be allowed to make a list of

their identities and that they be allowed to notify the captives' families of the state of their health.

A spokesman for the militants occupying the embassy since Nov. 4 said the visit was "imposed" on them by the Iranian government. This was seen as an indication that Iran hoped the visit would undercut Carter's drive to persuade major U.S. allies to take the same economic and diplomatic sanctions against Iran that he ordered.

Calif.-Nevada border squabble

WASHINGTON (AP) — A century-old squabble over where the boundary line should be drawn between California and Nevada reached the U.S. Supreme Court Monday as lawyers for the disputing states argued claims for the prime strip of land.

At stake are about 350 square miles of California land claimed by Nevada including much of South Lake Tahoe, Calif. One of California's counter arguments could lead to some North Tahoe casinos ending up in California where gambling is illegal.

New town trustee—a deserter?

FORT CARSON, Colo. (AP) — Clayton Kuhles, the newly-elected town trustee at Marble, got fed up with the army one day and left. He was taken into military custody at Fort Carson Army Post Monday on a desertion charge.

Kuhles, who was sworn into office at the Garfield County Jail last Tuesday, said he was a little surprised it took the Army over a year to take action. He walked away from Fort Stephens in Georgia in late 1978 after telling his commander the army wasn't for him.

Pulitzer Prizes for journalism

NEW YORK (AP) — The Gannett News Service won the 1980 Pulitzer Prize for public service on Monday for its journalistic resources, including editorials, cartoons and photographs.

The staff of the Philadelphia Inquirer won the award for general local reporting for its coverage of the nuclear accident at Three Mile Island. It was the sixth straight year the Inquirer has won a Pulitzer.

A special local reporting prize went to five members

of the Boston Globe for articles on Boston's urban system.

Bette Swenson (Conn.) and Charles Stafford (Pa.) won the national reporting award for their investigation of the Chernobyl disaster.

The prize for international reporting went to Joel Brinkley, reporter, and Jay Malin, a photographer, of the Louisville (Ky.) Courier Journal, for their stories from Cambodia.

Dixie drenched, Midwest snowed

Bloated rivers poured over their banks across the South on Monday, routing thousands of people and snakes, while up to a half-foot of snow smothered spring flowers from Arkansas through the Midwest.

At least nine people had been killed in storms which brought a weekend deluge to Dixie, record April cold to parts of the Southwest, and the heaviest snowfalls ever so late in the year in Missouri.

The snowstorm halted traffic on some interstate highways in the Midwest,

closed schools and knocked out power in scattered areas.

Floods claimed new territory in Mississippi, Louisiana and Alabama, where rivers on a relentless rise breached levees and spilled over sandbag dikes.

About 1,000 people spent the night in Red Cross shelters in metropolitan New Orleans, where two persons were killed, thousands were stranded and water lapped at restaurants and bars. The French Quarter also an 8-inch deluge. Water was standing 3 feet deep in some suburbs.

Liberia: sergeant seizes power

From The Associated Press
The young sergeant who is Liberia's new chief of state told his people Monday in a speech promising equal justice for all that he had President William Tolbert assassinated because it was the only way to end "uncontrollable corruption."

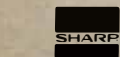
In his first radio-television address since he seized power in a pre-dawn coup Saturday, Samuel K. Doe said "We have come to build a new society, a

society of equal justice for all."

Doe's 10-minute speech, monitored in neighboring Sierra Leone, ended with the battler often used by Cuba's Fidel Castro: "The people's struggle continues."

Diplomatic sources said Doe assured American diplomats in Monrovia the Liberian capital, that he wanted to maintain the country's traditional good relations with the United States.

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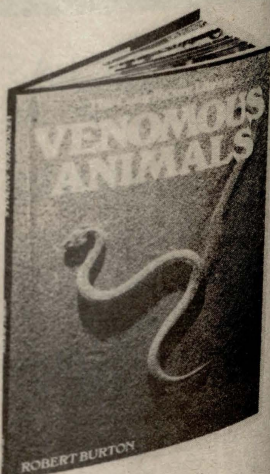
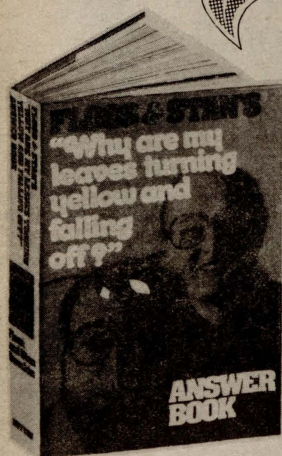
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Agriculture

Rodeo team's Figueroa isn't just another bronc rider

BY PIPER PARRY
Daily Agriculture Writer

called an aggie.

"No, we are not aggies. Yes, we are agriculture students. Actually, we're just a group of athletes," said Ken Figueroa in

talking about Cal Poly's rodeo team.

This is Figueroa's first year at Poly and first year as part of the six-man rodeo team. The team is a

club according to campus rules—a term Figueroa turns his nose up to.

"The school doesn't consider rodeo a sport. They consider it a club. Other schools put it under physical education and men's sports. It should be recognized as an intercollegiate sport," he said.

One of 20 to try out for the rodeo club last fall and one of six to make it, Figueroa's specialties in the ring are saddle bronc and bull riding.

"They're just the two I've always done. That's enough for me. I don't want to go into anymore," he said.

When questioned further, Figueroa smiled and admitted, "I've done roping before, but they have to practice too much."

As it is, for about six hours a week, Figueroa practices Tuesdays and Thursdays to prepare for the team's weekend competitions.

"It takes a long time to learn. It's not something you can just jump into. You get out of it what you put into it—like any other sport."

According to the bronc rider, the rodeo club is closely knit.

"Everyone works together—everyone has gotta stick together. I've been in a lot of sports, but

in rodeo, everyone really helps each other out."

Not only is rodeo a year-round sport, but also a 24-hour-a-day sport as well, according to Figueroa.

"In rodeo you can't just slide by with one hour of practice. In rodeo you have to eat, sleep and dream it," said the 22-year-old junior.

Figueroa transferred in fall to Cal Poly from Hartnell College in Salinas.

"San Luis Obispo is a good town and Poly is a good school. Poly is known as a rodeo school. It has a lot of guys who have been around."

This is the San Francisco native's fourth year competing in intercollegiate rodeo, although it is his first year at Poly.

Figueroa has been involved in rodeo since he was thirteen.

"Some friends got me into junior rodeo," explained Figueroa.

From there he went on to compete in the High School Rodeo Association, and then to the rodeo team at Hartnell.

After completing his first year at Poly in June, Figueroa said he plans to leave school and make rodeoing his full-time profession.

"I've been taking classes that I think will help me in agriculture and business, but I won't be graduating in June although I'll be leaving," explained Figueroa.

What is luring the saddle bronc and bull rider to full-time rodeoing in June?

"There's good money in it. It's a good life. And," smiled Figueroa, "you don't have to work too hard."

Poly rodeoers win regional

Cal Poly's Tom Switzer won the all-around title to lead the men's team to victory at the regional rodeo hosted by University of Fresno April 12-13.

Switzer, a junior from San Luis Obispo, won the steer wrestling and placed second with Mike Johns of Merced, and third with fellow team member John

Jones in the team roping event.

Ralph Rianda placed second in the steer wrestling and Kenn Figueroa placed third in the first go-round of the saddlebronc riding, while Mike Mosby finished fourth in the first go-round of the bareback riding.

Natural pest controls used on crops

BY SUE MEE
Daily Staff Writer

The Cal Poly crop science department is staying ahead of the game in the fight to curb pesticide use.

With some 600 acres of crops, the department's fight against undesirable insects favors natural over chemical killers.

"We're looking for the balance between beneficial and harmful insects when we look at the crops," said Dr. Corwin Johnson, head of the crop science department.

If the beneficial insects outnumber the harmful ones, then little pesticide is used, explained Johnson.

Recently, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency along with the Department of Agriculture have been increasing the controls on pesticide use.

However, Johnson explained Cal Poly has its own stringent controls.

California already has the strictest regulations in the world, and Cal Poly is concerned about pesticide use, said Johnson.

Cal Poly stopped using the chemical DDT several years before it was banned, said Johnson. Cal Poly students also developed a package on the use of pesticides long before it was an issue.

"We also try to use the number two-or three ranked pesticide whenever possible," Johnson said.

Pesticides are ranked by their toxicity to humans. According to Johnson, number one pesticides are highly toxic and number three is least toxic.

But before the pesticides are used randomly, crops are inspected and monitored or insect traps are put out. This, explained Johnson, shows what insects are the problem ones. Then the exact type of pesticide control can be used.

"Spraying is the last thing we do," said Johnson. "We are working in our environment and we are interested in it too," he said.

But Johnson emphasized that bacterial spray is sometimes needed; but there can be problems with that, also.

"Our problem is that people won't adhere to the warning signs that we put up after we spray. A lot of people think we just put them up to keep people out of the fields and from stealing the crops, but there is real danger if they enter after we've sprayed," he said.

One of the most recent controls placed on pesticide use would call for

lengthy paperwork. Johnson explained the control calls for paperwork on each chemical to be used and questions if any alternate chemical could be "sed."

But, explained Johnson, this would only hurt the consumer.

"If this goes into effect, then more people will be hired in the regulatory agencies to take care of the increased paper work. And food prices would increase," said Johnson.

"I don't think it is necessary to have these regulations," explained Johnson. "Farmers are conscientious."

According to Johnson, farmers are like drivers. The majority of the farmers and drivers obey the law, but there are a few bad ones.

In the meantime, however, Cal Poly is working hard on the careful use of pesticides. All crop science instructors are certicide pest control advisors and Cal Poly is working closely with state, federal and county groups to explore the pest control problems.

"We use pesticides as needed. We'll use the minimum amount necessary to produce a saleable product," said Johnson.

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OH frat pushing public petal show

BY BEVERLY BRINTNALL

Daily Staff Writer

Flower gardeners, beware—the 1980 Poly Royal Flower Show is approaching and open to all.

"Public participation is what we are after, and it is amateurish," said Chris Hietter, publicity chair-

man for the show.

The event is being presented by Pi Alpha Xi, an honorary fraternity for ornamental horticulture students.

"It is a lot of fun for people in the community," said Susie Wells, chairman of the flower show and president of Pi Alpha Xi. "It gives them

recognition."

Judging in the show will be divided into six divisions—perennials, annuals, bulbs, blooms from flowering shrubs, roses, and container plants.

"The judges are members of the 1980 Cal Poly judging team," said Wells.

The team is made up of three judges and one alternate. They were the top four students in the winter quarter flower judging class taught by Virginia Walter. Walter is also the faculty advisor for



Ornamental horticulture senior Susie Wells is chairman of the 1980 Poly Royal Flower Show.

Pi Alpha Xi.

"Next year the National Intercollegiate Flower Judging Competition will

be held at Poly," said Wells. "Poly is known back east for its ornamental horticulture department."

There will be 53 classes judged at the Poly Royal flower show. Ribbons will be awarded to the top entries. A "best of show" will be awarded also.

The flowers will be on display throughout Poly Royal.

"People love to look at the flowers," said Wells. Entries should be delivered to the Ornamental Horticulture Unit between 6 to 10 p.m. Thursday April 24. Friday by 9 a.m. All flowers entered must have an exhibitor. Containers and specimens are provided by the flower show committee.

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BY SEANNA BROWDER

Daily Staff Writer

Silver and gold trophies from livestock judging contests line the shelves of James W. Jacobs' office.

Jacobs, an animal science teacher, is coach of the Cal Poly Livestock Judging Team and has led it to the Nationals in Louisville, Ky. for four years.

Livestock judging is the art of determining the quality of an animal by appearance. There are usually four categories of animals: beef cattle, sheep, swine and horses. Rating of an animal must be justified by an oral reason. Each judge must explain out loud the reasons why he rated an animal a certain way.

"Oral reasons are our strong point," said Jacobs. It meets Monday and Wednesday afternoons and all day Saturday. All this work pays off Cal Poly usually places well every year at the Nationals. In 1977, the

team won first place; in 1979, it won fifth place and had the highest scoring individual, Jerry Fitch.

"We have the best overall record for four years in the Nationals," said Jacobs.

Cal Poly competes nationwide. The team attends contests in Denver, Colo., Fort Worth, Texas, Portland, Ore. and Odgen, Utah. The strongest rivals hail from the mid-western colleges, according to Jacobs.

The team travels all over the state judging animals at state fairs, 4-H clubs and Junior Future Farmers of America exhibits—it's in demand all over the state, said Jacobs.

Team members have to take beginning and advanced livestock judging classes. From the classes, ten or fifteen people are filtered into the team for one year of eligibility. The team competes year-round, except for summer. Cal Poly is allowed to send five representatives to each

major contest and members are rotated so each student appears at least twice in a major competition.

Jacobs said there are various reasons why people are involved in livestock judging.

"It helps those in productive agriculture to measure the quality of animals they may breed or purchase," he said. "For example, team members became involved in livestock judging because he is part-owner in a ranch."

"Potential ag teachers realize that someday they may be coaching a team," said Jacobs, "or help students to take animals fairs and exhibits."

"You can not make living out of livestock judging," said Jacobs. "People judge professionally are in the teaching profession; many are breeders themselves."

Many of those judging state shows and fairs are alumni, said Jacobs.

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More opportunities in ag for women

BY PIPER PARRY
Daily Agriculture Writer

Career molds are constantly being broken for men and women these days. This time it is for women—in agriculture. Opportunities in agriculture that have been traditionally considered for men are now opening up to qualified women, said Dean Howard Brown of the School of Agriculture and Natural Resources Management.

"Women have always been an important part of agriculture, but in the past it has been more of a man and wife combination or in a family situation," said Brown.

Now traditional jobs are not just for men but women, too, and not just in educational circles.

According to the dean, a typical employer of 20 years ago was "a rancher looking for someone who could ride, rope and bail hay. An employee had to be able to throw a cow or a horse, so they had to be of a substantial build."

But times are changing in the field of agriculture with increased technology and new areas opening up, according to Cal Poly administrator, alumni and students.

"Machinery has taken the place of physical labor where women break down. Women don't have to be men anymore," said Jean Rotta, a former Cal Poly student.

Rotta was a member of Cal Poly's pioneering class of 1956—the first year women were admitted to Poly. Rotta now co-owns a registered angus cattle operation in the Huasna Valley, sixteen miles outside of Arroyo Grande. In what she considers her everyday attire of work clothes, straw hat and dark glasses, Rotta works with the cattle on her family's 2,200-acre ranch.

"Women can do a job just as well as men, if not better," she said.

"Agriculture is opening up to women because they do a good job, not just because companies have quotas to fill," agreed Tracy Gill, 1979-1980 President of the National

Agriculture Marketing Association chapter on campus.

Gill, a senior ag management major, plans to work in the communications or finance end of agriculture until graduation in June. With the experience of two internships while at Poly—one at the Bank of America in Porterville and another at the Production Credit Association in Paso Robles—Gill said he sees the area of credit, finance and banking open to women.

Many of the recent openings have come in agri-business.

"Women are getting involved in agriculture because of the economics of it," said Dean Brown. "Agriculture is big business in California. Just recently agri-business has become important. Jobs are now opening up in financing, appraising and loan organizations."

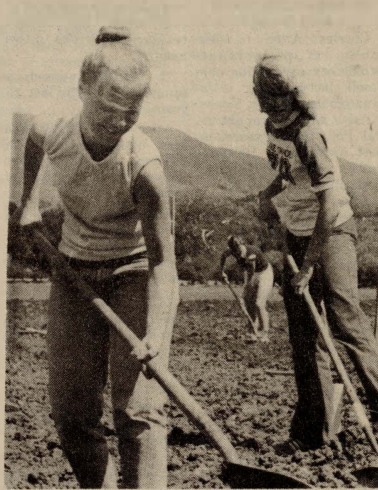
According to Gill, several of the companies she worked with as president of NAMA—including Monsanto and Elanco Products of Fresno, Loomix of Arroyo Grande and the California Farmer Magazine—encouraged women to pursue agricultural sales and marketing areas previously considered male territory.

Because the agricultural field is just now opening up to women there are not many women in executive or administrative positions.

"I really don't know of too many that are. Women haven't been in agriculture too long. It takes time to get seniority," said Dean Brown.

Gill agreed: "In the past, employers have had many problems with women in management leaving, so they are concerned with how permanent a woman is going to be."

"More and more women are becoming involved in management and executive type positions; and the more women that are in top management, the more it makes other women strive in that direction because they realize there are



Mustang Daily—Barry Shortz

The number of women studying agriculture is increasing at Cal Poly and in California along with the opportunities opening up to them.

opportunities."

Although openings for women in agriculture are on the upturn opposition to women remains. Gill said it is still apparent in the production end of the agriculture industry.

"It is not a bias against women—it is more like a resistance," she said.

Rotta, who is a member of county, state and national agriculture organizations ranging from the Cowbelles, an auxiliary organization to the Cattlemen's Association to the American Angus Association, has also met with a certain reluctant attitude. As president of the Santa Barbara chapter of the Cowbelles and a member of the San Luis Obispo chapter, Rotta said she has encountered resistance from the San Luis Obispo Chapter of the Cattlemen's Association.

"As a woman, sometimes your approach has to be slower, because men are slower," she said.

According to Brown, resistance is minimal.

"For the current generation, it is natural to have women in classes and

31 percent in the fall of 1975.

Poly's figures top the statewide statistics for the increase of women in agricultural schools. A recent research project by O.O.E. Thompson and Z. McCandless-Grossman, of the University of California at Davis, found that approximately one-third of the 100,000 Californians studying agriculture are women.

According to Dean Brown, the greatest concentrations of women are in the animal science, food science, agricultural education and ornamental horticulture departments. Sixty-two percent of all animal science majors are

women—the highest percentage of any major in the School of Agriculture and Natural Resource Management.

The agriculture management major has also seen a six percent increase since 1975 in the number of women enrolled in the department, climbing to 40 percent as of fall 1979.

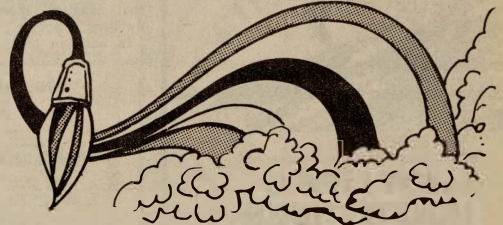
The increased number of women studying agriculture at Cal Poly, the growing number of opportunities opening up and the continued support of the department point toward a bright future for women careers in agriculture.

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Charles Atlee of the crop science department addresses his home vegetable production class. Atlee spends his summers farming in Guatemala.

Women's rodeo team is second

In women's competition, Cal Poly placed second behind Central Arizona college, the defending national championship team.

Freshman Lily Varian fell 6 points short of the women's all-around title. Lily won the breakaway roping and placed fourth in the barrel racing.

Kendra Santos placed third in the breakaway roping while Dianne Williams placed fourth in the goat tying.

Cal Poly individual competitors Ray Gomes captured the bull riding title, while Lisa Cochrane placed second in the breakaway roping.

Crops teacher owns Guatemala farm

BY LORI ANDERSON

Daily Staff Writer

Charles Atlee is like most crop science professors except for one small fact—he also is a Guatemalan farmer.

Atlee, who has taught at Cal Poly for 11 years, is part owner of a 100-acre ranch near Coban, Guatemala.

Atlee said he and two partners, one who resides at the Guatemala farm and the other who is stationed in Puerto Rico, seven years ago purchased the bare land located in an isolated area of the South American country.

He said since then they have introduced avocados, citrus, spices, tangerines, macadamia nuts and apples to the area which before was strictly a producer of coffee.

Atlee said he and his partners try to meet in Guatemala at least once a

year. Atlee himself goes to the ranch for almost between two weeks to two months.

"I haven't missed a summer yet in the last 15 years," he said.

Atlee said they have been experimenting with different crops to see what grows best in the tropical climate.

About 50 acres of the farm are being cultivated in the area where no previous testing had been done.

"This is all on a small scale," said Atlee, who worked with the Guatemala Department of Agriculture for four years.

So far none of the crops have been sold. He said the plants are just getting into production.

The next phase is to decide what crops should be promoted.

Atlee and his associates have also experimented with coffee. He said they are trying to develop a coffee resistant to "rust"—a disease causing defoliation and killing coffee plants and which is spreading in South America.

The only way to control the disease, he said, is to develop another plant resistant to it.

Due to high rainfall, the disease has also been a problem for Atlee and his associates. The farm receives about 100 inches of rain a year.

"We don't have to irrigate," Atlee said.

Excluding irrigation, other work on the farm is done by Guatemalan farmers. The farmers come in to work and to learn, he said. They want to raise

crops but often don't have the capital to invest.

Atlee said he wants to help the Guatemalan people and learn something in the process. He said he hopes that production in the area will eventually lead to the formation of a cooperative.

Atlee also said that someday he would like to take Poly students to Guatemala to work on the farm. The students could get first-hand experience in working with tropical crops.

"It's just one of those things that I have in my mind that I'd like to develop," he said of the idea.

Overall, Atlee said, "It's been a fascinating experience," and when he retires Guatemala may be the place to go.

Sunset garden editor emphasizes water conservation

BY PIPER PARRY

Daily Agriculture Writer

Smaller gardens, water frugality and energy conservation were cited as the three major trends in western home gardening

by the head garden editor of Sunset Magazine in a recent talk to 150 ornamental horticulture and journalism students.

"Smaller gardens are the inevitable result when

more and more people are trying to live on the same amount of land," said Joe Williamson.

According to the 32-year employee of Sunset, the 1960s and 1970s marked the beginning of apartment and condominium dwellers growing edibles. These efforts evolved into community gardens because of Williamson called "the too little space, too much shade problem" that plagued apartment dwellers.

In addition to the ad-

vantages of room and sunlight, in community plots "you can grow vegetables and fruit and not worry about the appearance of what you're going to see through the dining room window," said Williamson.

Gardeners will also be relying on smaller plants such as miniature tomatoes and cucumbers in addition to smaller gardens.

Williamson also stressed the importance of water frugality. He said that

students learned from textbooks in elementary school isn't true. California is not a state with an unlimited supply of water. While the state's population has grown, the water supply has not, he said.

"The supply of water just won't match the demand," said the garden editor.

To offset California's limited water supply, Williamson suggested growing only what is needed and cultivating drought-resistant plants, not what he called "water-wasters."

Williamson also said that the home gardener will have to become more energy-conscious. He said dyondra is an energy waster and the "lawn mower is the only one who uses it."

"The trend is to sit on it, lay on it, and use it in some way, not just look at it," said Williamson in reference to ideal lawns.

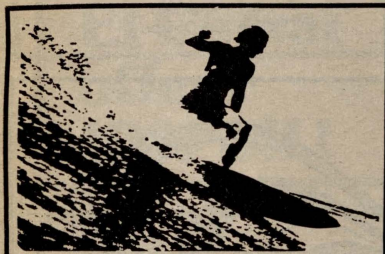
The garden editor sprinkled personal anecdotes collected during his tenure at Sunset throughout his 45-minute talk. Williamson, who

started at the Menlo Park magazine during the summer between his junior and senior years at Stanford, said that although the circulation is five times what it was when he started, the editorial content of the magazine is the same. The magazine is packed with how-to-do-it information on gardening, building, travelling and home economics, he said.

Designed for readers in the western United States, it is a magazine written for doors, said Williamson.

You can read it from an armchair, but you're supposed to go right up and do what you just read about," he said.

Williamson wrote journalism students interested in garden writing that the field is well-crowded, but employs ten to twelve garden writers. There are only two or three other publications, including the San Diego Home and Garden Magazine and the Garden Section of the Los Angeles Times that concentrate on gardening.



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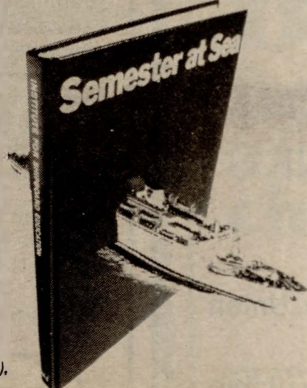
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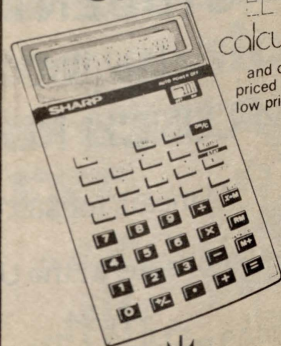
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Summer jobs

The Placement Center is sponsoring a Summer Jobs Workshop in Fischer Center 289 on Thursday at 10 a.m. The free seminar will give students information on where to apply, how to find contacts and what to submit.

Student senate

The School of Science and Math Council is looking for someone who is interested in being a student senator for spring quarter. For more information, call Roger Mann at 541-3256 or leave a note in the Activities Planning Center, box 1036.

British women recruits may soon carry guns

LONDON (AP) — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's government suggested recently that women soldiers may soon be carrying guns. It would be the first time British women carried arms since an ancient queen fought the Romans.

A defense policy document issued by the government said defense chiefs look to women to play an increasing part in the work of our armed forces.

With that in mind, it said female recruits may be issued weapons for self-defense or guarding military bases, as are their counterparts in the United States and some other countries.

America's 50,000 women in the 2-million member uniform services are uniform combat.

There can be no question of women engaging in combat in the British forces, said the document, called "Defense for the 1980s." But it said the measure does involve arming women in "extraordinary emergency or war."

"To make the fullest use of women in the services, we must reconsider and perhaps revise our traditional attitude to allowing them to bear arms," it added.

The document, presented at a news conference by Defense Secretary Francis Pym, indicated a shortage of women in the all-volunteer army, navy and air force would lead to the change, which would require parliamentary approval.

It must be a decision on whether to make it voluntary or compulsory and how they would use their weapons, the document said.

It is an increasing number of countries—including

ASI Fine Arts

The ASI Fine Arts Committee is now open for new membership, with excellent opportunities for those joining for leadership positions. Meetings are every Wednesday night at 5 in UU 216. For more information, contact the Activities Planning Center.

Dance Class

Orchestrates invites all Cal Poly students to participate in a free jazz dance class on Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Crandall Gym dance studio.

Omega Psi Phi

Omega Psi Phi will have their annual Founder's Day Weekend on the 18th, 19th and 20th of April. Activities will include a skating party, a dance and a luncheon at the Shore Cliff Inn. For reservations, call Anthony Hopkins at 544-8629 or Dave Manson at 541-5596.

Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France and the Netherlands—"women now are being trained in the use of firearms for self-defense, or for certain limited base defense tasks in an emergency," it said.

Israeli women soldiers are also barred from combat although all undergo personal weapons training. Those in frontier bases carry weapons when traveling to and from base and during guard duty.

Military historians here said women have not carried arms in Britain since Queen Boadicea of the Iceni of Norfolk led a revolt against Roman invaders who seized the kingdom in 43 A.D.

Excluding nurses, there are 12,700 women in Britain's 330,000-member armed services. Their present role mainly is in supply and communications. They are barred from serving on warships.

Architect to speak at Poly

San Francisco architect Mark Mack will give a lecture on "The New Primitivism" at 8 p.m. on April 16.

Admission is free. The lecture, will be in the Gallery (Room 105) of the Architecture and Environmental Design building.

Mack, a native Austrian, studied at the Academy of Fine Arts in Vienna. Before starting his own practice in 1978, he was a faculty member at the University of California, Berkeley.

The lecture is part of the distinguished Architects Lecture Series at Cal Poly.

Newscope

INTERFACE

Anyone interested in the business applications of data processing might want to attend the general membership meeting of INTERFACE, to be tonight at 7:30 in Computer Science 248.

ASI elections

Filing for ASI president, vice-president and student senators must be completed by April 17 at 5 p.m. Application forms for these positions are available at the Activities Planning Center of the Union.

Horse show

There will be an open horse show for all ages on April 19 in the Horse Unit Arena, starting at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$2.50 per class. For more information, call Kim Mellema at 543-8885.

A.A.S.K.

University Graphic a free movie, Who Are the DeBolts and Where Did They Get 19 Kids?, will be shown tonight, tomorrow and Thursday at 7:30 and 9 p.m. The film, sponsored by Aid to Adoption of Special Kids, will be shown in various dorms. For more information, call 546-1395.

UBSAC meeting

The United Black Students Awareness Council will elect officers for the 1980-81 school year at their meeting, tonight at 7:30 in UU 219.

GSU speaker

Supervisor Harry Britt of San Francisco will speak in the banquet room at Howard Johnson's Restaurant on April 18 on gay community organization. The event, sponsored by the GSU and GALA, will be at 9 p.m. Donations are requested.

Swim program

Swimming lessons are now available at Crandall Gym from the YMCA. For more information, call Barbara Blunk at 543-1286.

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ASI Films

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Registration

Any club or organization interested are invited to help run the voter registration booths on campus. For more information, call Ron Scholtz at 546-1291.

IEEE meeting

The Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers will meet tonight at 7:30 in Engineering East 140. Nominations will be taken for next year's officers.

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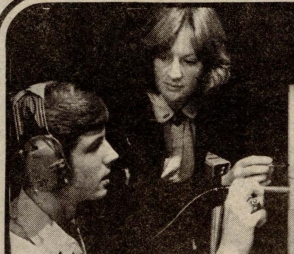
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Sports

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Keyes soars, spikers fall

BY RALPH THOMAS

Daily Staff Writer

Maggie Keyes makes breaking school records look easy.

By knocking nearly three seconds off her own school record in the 3,000-meter run, Keyes highlighted a tri-meet here between Cal Poly's women's track team, Cal State Northridge and Washington State University on Saturday.

April 12.

Northridge won the meet with 95 points to Cal Poly's 68 and Washington State's 55. Northridge, two-time defending AIAW national champions, was favored.

"You know Maggie Keyes is unbelievable," said head coach Lance Harter after she ran the 3,000 in 9:18.8. That time qualified her to run the

3,000 at the AIAW national championships to be held at the University of Oregon May 21-24. She has already qualified for that meet in the 1,500-meter run.

Harter, who called Keyes' performance "mind boggling", said that he doesn't know of any woman in the country running the 3,000 as fast as she did.



Mustang Daily—Ralph Thomas

Graceful Carol Griswold sails over the high jump crossbar.

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Netters edged in league finals

BY SUE BOYLAN

Daily Staff Writer

Cal Poly's men's tennis team came home from this weekend's conference tournament in second place and a little disappointed.

Although the California Collegiate Athletic Association title was just outside their reach, the Mustangs "have nothing to be ashamed of coming in second," said Cal Poly coach Ken Peet.

Sixth singles Bill Frink won his individual conference title in straight sets. First singles Robb Chappell beat the tournaments number one seed and took second place. Also the doubles teams of Ken Ueltzen-Tom Morris-Andrew Weber—Frink earned second-place honors in the tournament.

Proof of the competitiveness of this year's league is in the final scores for the top four schools. Cal State L.A. took first place with 85 points. The Mustangs, in second place overall, were ten points behind at 75. Cal State Northridge came in third with 69 points, just one point ahead of fourth place Chapman College. Points totals are based on the number of individual matches won during the season's dual matches and

The conference title wasn't decided until the finals of the doubles matches, the coach said. The Mustangs' second doubles team Weber-Frink and the third doubles Morris-Ueltzen lost in the final round against doubles teams from Cal State L.A. if they had won Cal Poly could have edged Cal State L.A. for the championship.

"The last two doubles matches were tough to lose," Coach Peet said.

Sixth singles player Frink won the individual conference honor straight sets. Frink's straight sets was a plus at the beginning of the season. He said this mental attitude helped pull him through highly competitive contests.

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The San Francisco 49ers will meet the Los Angeles Rams twice within a three-week period and play the Dallas Cowboys in between, thanks to the National Football League schedule makers.

The complete 1980 schedule, with all games on Sundays: Sept. 7, at New Orleans; Sept. 14, St. Louis; Sept. 21, at New York Jets; Sept. 28, Atlanta; Oct. 5, at Los Angeles; Oct. 12, at Dallas; Oct. 19, Los Angeles; Oct. 26, Tampa Bay; Nov. 2, Detroit; Nov. 9, at Green Bay at Milwaukee; Nov. 16, at Miami; Nov. 23, New York Giants; Nov. 30, New England; Dec. 7, New Orleans; Dec. 14, Atlanta; Dec. 21, Buffalo.

Germany heeds boycott request

From the Associated Press

West Germany gave President Carter's drive for an international boycott of the Moscow Summer Olympics its strongest endorsement to date on Monday, announcing that the government did not favor sending a team to the Games.

Klaus Boelling, chief spokesman for the West German government, said it would recommend that the country's National Olympic Committee vote to boycott the Games as long as Soviet troops remain in Afghanistan.

The announcement, two days after the U.S. Olympic Committee voted to support Carter's boycott request, is expected to have a major impact on other major U.S. allies who have not yet made their decisions.

After the USOC voted Saturday to go along with the boycott, Douglas Roby, one of two Americans on the International Olympic Committee, said the decision could spell the death of the 1980 Moscow Games.

The boycott also could affect the 1984 games set for Los Angeles.

In Moscow, preparations for the Games continued. According to a Soviet spokesman, "The organizing committee is calmly preparing for the Moscow Olympics. The decision of the U.S. Olympic Committee will have no effect whatsoever on our preparations."

The official Soviet news agency Tass said, "The Olympics will take place despite all the schemes, maneuvers, provocations, intrigues, convulsions and paroxysms at the White House."

The West German government's position is not based on its National Olympic Committee. But, Willi Dreyer, West German IOC member, said the government is "certainly has weight."

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Rejuvenated sluggers top Toros

Campus rings with sounds of football

The Mustang baseball team got a big boost from its new-found offense, as Cal Poly pummeled the Dominguez Hills Toros 22-7 and 9-5 in a CCAA doubleheader Saturday at SLO stadium.

The doubleheader sweep took some of the sting out of the previous night's loss, as the Mustangs let a 10-4 lead slip away and lost to Dominguez Hills 16-4.

The first game of Saturday's twinbill was never in doubt as the Mustangs erupted for seven runs in the sixth inning and sailed to a victory from there.

The Cal Poly nine put its first eight men on base in their second-inning scoring spree, delivering more hits than a prize-winning heavyweight fighter.

Dave Kirby paced the Mustang's 19-hit attack with four hits in five trips including a bases loaded triple in the eighth. Ross Oberschall, Craig Gerber, and Bob Weirum contributed three hits each.

Cal Poly quickly fell behind in the second game, as the Toros picked up three runs in the first.

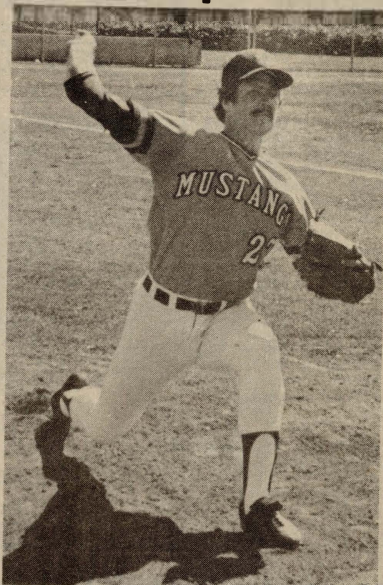
The Mustangs nibbled at the Toros' lead when Gerber streaked home in the second and third innings.

San Luis bolted into the lead in the fourth, reeling off five runs to take a 7-3 advantage. Gerber continued his one-man of-

fensive show by cracking a two-run triple. Gerbers triple capped off a perfect 4-4 day for the first four innings in Friday's game. It looked as if the Mustangs were taking batting practice against Dominguez Hill, building up a lead to 10-0. Things started to go wrong for the Mustangs in the top of the fifth. The Toros managed to cut the Mustang lead in half with their rally being sparked by a line drive double which hit the left leg of Poly pitcher Rob Vavrock.

After the Mustangs lifted their lead to 14-5 on the strength of Bryon Darling's first homer of the season, the Toros tallied four runs in the seventh and eight runs in the ninth to pull out a 16-14 win after a Toro batter hit a tailor-made double play ball to Silva, but the ball hit a hard spot in the infield and bounced over his head to allow the tying runs to score.

Gerber shone the entire series, slamming nine hits in 12 at-bats and knocking in seven runs. Weirum and Kirby also had outstanding series as Weirum laced six hits in 11 trips and Kirby belted six hits in 14 at-bats. Kirby and Weirum kept their hitting streaks alive, as Kirby has hit safely in the last ten games while Weirum has pounded out hits in the last eight contests.



Barry Shortz

Mustang pitcher Rob Vavrock hurls a fastball past a Toro foe in a losing effort against Dominguez Hills.

This weekend series with Dominguez Hills began a 10-game home stand for the Mustangs who are currently 7-11 in league play. Cal Poly will host U.C. Riverside next weekend for three CCAA games.

KVEC to air Poly sports

Radio station KVEC (920 AM), San Luis Obispo, has been awarded a three-year contract for exclusive radio broadcasting rights for Cal Poly's men's football and basketball games and other men's intercollegiate sports events.

The contract calls for KVEC to carry live broadcasts of all regular season football and basketball games, with certain wrestling matches, baseball games, and other intercollegiate sports events.

Poly tennis team blanks foe

BY JIM MALONE
Daily Staff Writer

The Cal Poly women's tennis team snapped a seven-match losing string Saturday, overpowering a young St. Mary's College of Moraga squad 12-0 in a non-conference match at the Mustang courts.

Led by sophomore Reese Weigandt's 6-0, 6-0 victory Monday St. Mary's Julie McGovern, the Mustangs tallied triumphs across the board and won every set from the Gaels.

Poly's Dana Anderson and Page Wilkins both earned their first singles wins of the season, with Anderson beating Nancy Williams 6-1, 7-6, and Dana, 6-0, 6-3. Anderson later teamed with Weigandt to gain a doubles victory over St. Mary's McGovern and Romano, 7-6, 6-4.

Both teams faced disadvantages going into the match. For the Mustangs, it was only their second match after a four-and-a-half week layoff due to quarter break and finals. After losing 8-1 to Berkeley, Assistant Coach Otto Yeast was happy with the Mustang's performance against St. Mary's.

St. Mary's disadvantage was inexperience. "All our girls are freshmen," said Coach Sue Pantos. "The win improved the Mustangs' record to 3-

overall, 1-6 in the Southern California Athletic Association.

The women travel to Cal State Northridge April 19 to face the Matadors in their next CCAA conference match.

Summary:

SINGLES

Reese Weigandt (CP) d. Julie McGovern, (SLM) 6-0, 6-0 Dana Anderson (CP) d. Nancy Romano (STM) 6-1, 7-6 Lisa Kohara (CP) d. Diane Ubowski (STM) 6-2, 6-4 Page Wilkins (CP) d. Mary Klein

(STM) 6-0, 6-3 Kelly Merideth (CP) d. Denise King (STM) 6-1, 6-2 Alexa Chappellet (CP) d. Simone Stalick (STM) 6-1, 6-3

Kristin Jakobsen (CP) d. Marti Mosser (STM) 6-0, 6-3 Cheryl Morton (CP) d. Liz Della-Santina (STM) 6-0, 6-1

DOUBLES

Weigandt and Anderson (CP) d. McGovern and Romano (STM) 7-6, 6-4 Kohara and Wilkins (CP) d. Ubowski and Klein (STM) 6-4, 6-1

Jakobsen and Chappellet (CP) d. King and Stalick (STM) 6-4, 6-1 Merideth and Morton (CP) d. Mosser and Della Santina (STM) 6-4, 6-1

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Policewoman promoted to campus investigator

BY BEV BRINTNALL

Daily Staff Writer

The Cal Poly Police Department has a new 26-year-old investigator—policewoman Myra Sheehan.

Sheehan has been a university patrol officer for 2 1/2 years. She received the title of investigator in February, but due to a shortage of officers, she continued to patrol until the end of March.

"I wasn't sure if the investigative job would help or hinder me because I am a woman," said Sheehan. "But I feel I got the job on merit, not because I am a woman."

Sheehan explained the post was opened to anyone in the state who was legally qualified.

"We are police officers," she stressed. "We went to the police academy."

An oral, written and physical examination was given to each applicant, said Sheehan. All the patrol officers on campus applied for the job.

"Maybe I got the patrol job because I am a minority, but there is no reason to promote me just because I am a woman."

An investigator officer takes off where the patrol officer leaves off, Sheehan said. An investigator will follow leads, obtain search warrants and generally pull together all the information for a case.

"We decide whether to drop or follow through," Sheehan said. "We aren't the 'Dragnet' type, though we hear the song a lot."

Cal Poly is a small "city" with its own police department, fire department and even its own

generator said Sheehan. Most of the people are young, educated, and away from home for the first time. This gives the police department a unique element—campus police have a choice whether to prosecute or to take school disciplinary actions.

"The department is more easy-going. We are not quite as hard core as city departments," she said.

Say that a student stole a pig as a prank, said Sheehan. The department would probably favor school disciplinary actions rather than a court hearing.

If a student is using a stolen parking permit, the student is in possession of stolen property, which is a felony, Sheehan said.

"But if we prosecuted every time we caught a student with a stolen permit, the court cases would be endless."

A case where the department would prosecute would be in the stealing of backpacks, which Sheehan said is a big problem on campus.

Sheehan's job is also a public relations job. "To prevent crime you must educate the people," she said.

She gives lectures on how to make the campus safer, along with doing security surveys which determine how a building can be made safer against crime. Talks are given to dorm residents on what the police can do and what the students themselves can do in the time of theft or rape.

A tip from Sheehan: Don't put your backpack into the open cubicles. The bookstore has lockers which require a quarter to be put in, but when the key is returned, so is the quarter.

Speaker urges better writing skills for PR

BY RALPH THOMAS

Daily Staff Writer

Public relations executive Kevin Plagman said he found his career in the classified ad section of the *San Francisco Chronicle*—and said there's more for others, too.

Plagman, a 1973 journalism/public relations graduate of Ohio University, is a senior account executive for the largest independent public relations firm in San Francisco—Russom & Leeper.

He was at Cal Poly on Friday, April 11, to speak to students interested in pursuing a career in public relations. He stressed to them the importance of developing writing skills.

"If you're a good writer with some experience, you should be able to get an entry level position in SF," said Plagman.

Although he didn't claim to be a "great writer," Plagman said that he was hired by Russom & Leeper because of his creativity and innovative ideas.

He first contacted Russom & Leeper through an ad in the *Chronicle*.

Said Plagman, "I was in the right place at the right time."

Plagman pointed out a problem that firms like Russom & Leeper are having in finding qualified writers. He couldn't explain why there is a shortage of good writers in public relations.

"Maybe the best are going to the newspapers," suggested Plagman. "Some people have a knack for it, some don't."

He said when he came to California in 1974 jobs were scarce in PR, but the field has since "loosened up."

In his talks here Plagman described what's involved in working in public relations, different types of ad campaigns he has been part of and an-

swered questions from students.

Cal Poly journalism professor Randy Murray was one of Plagman's instructors at Ohio University.



Mustang Daily—Ray Acevedo

A clay replica of *Valer*, the artwork reported stolen from the crafts display in the Galerie.

Reward offered for stolen art

BY KARENGRAVES

Daily Staff Writer

The creator of a piece of art stolen from the University Union Galerie is offering a reward for its return.

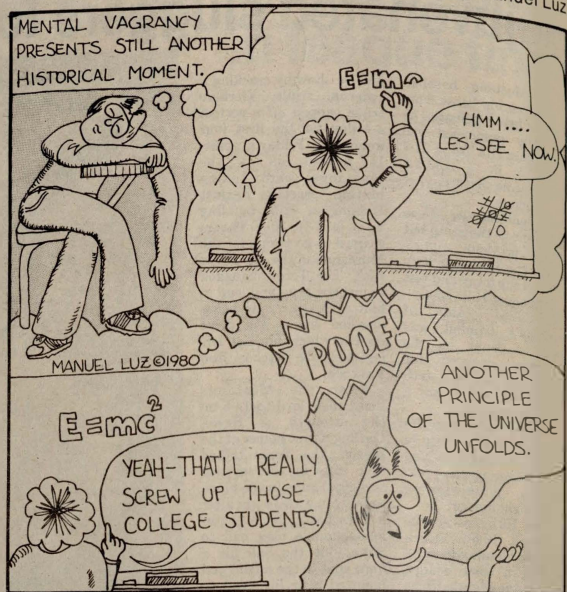
Roger Combs, designer of the piece *Valer*, is offering a \$50 reward for its return. It was stolen Thursday, April 3. The reward is being offered because of the sentimental value attached to the piece, said Myra Sheehan, investigator for the campus police.

No progress has been made in the recovery of the piece, said Holly Smith, ASI Activities Planning Center Coordinator.

Anyone with information about the theft should contact Smith at 546-2476.

Mental Vagrancy

By Manuel Luz



Expert: Disaster victims get into debt

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Most victims of disasters such as the recent Southern California floods never recover financially despite receiving low-cost loans and other government aid, says an economist who has studied similar problems elsewhere.

of assets," he said, "but returning victims back to where they were involves liabilities as well as assets. They lose equity and unless they can get a banker to forgive a loan, which I've never heard of, they need to replace their equity."

"Now what happens is that the government comes in and offers them loans—low-interest loans—but loans nevertheless," he said. "So what you have is that you have replace equity with debt and the people are worse off after recovery than they were right after the disaster."

Vinso bases his conclusions on seven years of study that began with an examination of families in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., who were affected by tropical storm Agnes in 1972. Most of them wound up with three times the debt they had before Agnes hit, he

said, and had less to spend on everyday expenses.

Families who lose their homes and belongings wind up deeper in debt after obtaining loans and other assistance than they were immediately after the disaster struck, says Dr. Joseph Vinso, associate professor of finance and business economics at the University of Southern California.

"The major assets in most people's balance sheet is their property—land plus their house—and that is usually financed by some kind of mortgage. Vinso said in an interview. "When a disaster strikes, you lose part of your assets but you don't lose any of your debts, so it all comes out of your net worth."

Homeowners who get low-cost loans may rebuild their homes, Vinso says, but their overall financial picture worsens.

Religion's still alive, says UCSB chancellor

BY NANCY LEWIS

Special to the Daily

Old time religion enhances human life in the world today, said Robert Michaelsen, Vice Chancellor at the University of California at Santa Barbara.

"Religion is very much alive in the world today, contrary to the predictions of early prophets," said Michaelsen, "with one in three Americans regarding themselves as born-again Christians."

Ninety-eight percent of the American people and 89 percent of college students affirm belief in God, according to Michaelsen, who spoke at Cal Poly Friday.

The role of old time religion in new world is to provide the answer to most of today's problems, said the speaker, and forty percent of college students

believe religion can answer most of today's problems.

Religion also provides security and a way of escape from this world, according to Michaelsen.

"Real old time religion can be very much a new thing in the religion, because it is lasting and fundamental," he suggested.

Michaelsen was the first speaker in a series of speeches entitled "Work, Worship, and Play," sponsored by the Communicative Arts and Humanities.

He was president of the American Academy of Religion, and has published two books: "American Search for the Soul," and "Piety in the Public Schools."

Michaelsen has also been influential in developing religious studies as an academic discipline in the United States.